

## **Application for Valdosta State University Master of Library and Information Science Scholarship**

Two scholarships have been created for the Master of Library and Information Science Program to recognize and assist graduate students who have established an outstanding level of academic achievement. The scholarships are awarded each semester in an academic year.

### **A. Eligibility**

1. Must be accepted to the Graduate School and enrolled in the MLIS degree program at Valdosta State University.
2. Be a Georgia resident as determined by the Office of the Registrar. (Students receiving an out-of-state fee waiver do not qualify).
3. Be an adult learner.\*
4. Have a GRE combined verbal score plus either quantitative or analytical score that equals or exceeds 1200.
5. Must enroll in at least six-credits during the fall semester and at least six-credits during the spring semester of the academic year of the award.
6. Submit an essay to the MLIS program.

### **B. Application**

Application forms are available in the Graduate School office or the Financial Aid Office. Forms can be downloaded from the Graduate School website as well. Completed applications must be submitted by May 1 of each academic year. The MLIS Scholarship Committee will send an award letter to each scholarship recipient prior to the beginning of each academic year.

### **C. Selection**

The MLIS Scholarship Committee will review the applications. Selection will be made on academic achievement and aptitude including but not limited to GRE and GPA.

### **D. Procedures for Disbursement**

Each semester awards will be applied to the students' fees prior to the fee payment deadline. Any excess funds will be disbursed by check.

Completed application forms and essays should be sent to:

Master of Library & Information Science Program Scholarship  
Odum Library  
Valdosta State University  
1500 N. Patterson St.  
Valdosta GA 31698

\* A person who is age 25 or over or has worked in libraries or the information industry at least two years.

**VSU Master of Library and Information Science Program  
Scholarship Application Form**

1. Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle or Maiden Surname)
  
2. Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street/ Box Number)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)
  
3. Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_
  
4. Have you been accepted to Graduate School at VSU? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Recent standardized GRE scores:  
Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Quantitative \_\_\_\_\_ Analytical \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. Toward what degree will you work? \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. What area of study do you plan to pursue? \_\_\_\_\_
  
8. List any additional information you wish the Scholarship Committee to have concerning your application for this scholarship.  
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**Essay Requirement:** Submit a copy of your supplementary statement as the essay or, if you wish, submit a new essay. In preparing the essay, the following should be considered:

1. What are your career objectives and professional goals? (Indicate both immediate and long-range objectives.)
2. What factors influenced your decision to seek professional graduate LIS (library and information science) education?
3. How has your personal background affected your ability to work with people?
4. How has your academic and/or work experience affected your preparation for professional graduate LIS education?
5. What strengths do you believe you possess that prepare you for graduate LIS education?
6. Describe a situation in which you assisted a customer, patron, or other individual.
7. Are there patron or user groups that are of special interest to you at this time? If so, which? \_\_\_\_\_